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In re Application of:
Gillespie, et al.

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For: WELL SCREEN COVER

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 25, 2003

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 25, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 25, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0303/AOP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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Please cancel claims 1-3 and 5-16 without prejudice and amend the claims as follows: